LICHFIELD CITY COUNCIL PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE

02 October 2025

LCC comments for submission to Lichfield District Council

App No.	Details	Site	LCC Recommendation
25/00605/OUT MEI	Outline planning application for residential development; secondary school; primary school; care village and health care hub; mixed use local centre; public open space; playing fields and sports hub; and ancillary and enabling works and demolition of existing structures (all detailed matters reserved for future consideration)	Land At North Lichfield, Netherstowe Lane, Netherstowe (Curborough Brooks)	See comments attached
25/01014/FUH	Demolition of conservatory, single storey rear extension, extension over garage and extension to porch roof to form canopy	19 Carmichael Close	No objections
25/00993/FUH	Single storey side facing extension	12 Gaiafields Road	No objections
25/01064/FUH	Erection of a two storey rear, part single storey and two storey side extension (Resubmission of 25/00714/FUH)	27 Swallow Croft	No objections
25/00840/FUL	Installation of stretch tent to beer garden with internal festoon lighting and heaters	The Hedgehog, Stafford Road	No objections
25/00771/FUL &25/00761/LB C	Revised internal arrangements, new porch and bin store, external boundary treatment and pedestrian access for the conversion of 20 St John Street into 6 residential units. (Amendments to 23/00692/FUL)	Access Bookings Limited, 20 St John Street	Await information from Lichfield District Council
25/01063/ADV	Installation of 1 directory totem sign, 1 directional sign, 9 directional unit totem and 1 entrance totem across site	Land at Cricket Lane	No objections providing there are no neighbour concerns regarding the proposed siting of the signs in terms of obstruction of verge or road
25/01120/FUH	Single storey rear extension, lifting of roof to form first floor rooms, garage widening with new roof plus new porch	6 Longbridge Road	No objections subject to 45 degree rule in relation to 8 Longbridge Road
25/01124/FUH	Proposed single storey front extension, garage conversion and single storey rear extension	124 Chesterfield Road	No objections
25/01006/FUH	Single storey rear extension	16 Beacon Street	No objections provided the LDC Conservation Officer is happy with the choice of materials
25/01070/PND	Conversion of offices (Use Class E) to 4 one bedroom apartments and 2 two bedroom apartments (Use Class C3)	First And Second Floors, 1 Breadmarket Street	No objection subject to the noise mitigation measures and fire escape routes being adequate
25/01071/LBC	Works to listed building to replace 9 existing timber windows to aluminium windows	Keelys Solicitors LLP, 28 Dam Street	No objections

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We recommend refusal of this application in its current form for the following reasons:

- The proposal is for 1200 houses with 40% 'affordable'. Social housing should be an important element to be maintained. We would want more specific reference to social housing for rent as a significant element in any agreed development.
- A flood plain improvement works plan is being proposed but there remain concerns about flooding and drainage strategy. In particular we have concerns about water run off considering how close the aquifer is to the surface.
- Environmental concerns include light pollution, noise pollution from the Curborough sprint
 course, protection for trees, hedges, bats and birds. We would want to see Solar PV, Heat
 Pumps and Electric Vehicle charging points as standard on all properties with the orientation
 of the houses to maximise solar benefits. We are pleased note that 45% of the site would be
 open space and footpaths would be protected.
- Access and transport are not adequately dealt with. Eastern Avenue, Watery Lane,
 Netherstowe Lane, and A38 will all be affected. There are detailed but over-optimistic
 proposals for cycling, and other active transport suggestions, but public transport would need
 significant improvement. We note that National Highways and National Rail have significant
 concerns on capacity, security, and likely impact of major roads and railways on residential
 amenities. Consideration of the access to/from the development needs greater consideration
 for non-vehicle traffic, e.g. bikes and scooters etc.
- We support the concerns of the county archaeologist. It is an interesting Second World War site
- We ask that any later approval would require very detailed adherence to the LDC design code (as housing strategy officer suggests).
- The proposal includes a primary and secondary school and a health centre. There may be potential problems in recruiting staff for health services.
- Construction would be from 2027-33, so very disruptive for the new estates just getting
 established in Streethay and Curborough. As mentioned above we highlight the concerns
 especially flooding and access/transport. We suggest there's enough in this part of the city
 already.

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